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FALL 1969 MEETING

The 9th meeting of our group was held in Dearborn, Mich. on November 29th. Bob Williams who served as Sgt. of Arms, reported thirty members and guests present.

1970 Election: The problem regarding the 1970 election was discussed. Letters from members relative to the problem were read, and ideas expressed by those present. After discussion, a motion that the 1969 officers be continued for the year 1970 was approved.

Ray Olson was nominated and elected to serve a term of two years on the Board.

Donation Auction: An auction of the material donated, as was listed in the October, 1969 issue was called. Bill Marquand served as auctioneer, assisted by Ralph Hinkle and Harriet Nordhof. A total of $44.50 was realized for the lots sold.

Mich-TAMS to Sponsor Show: During the meeting, a suggestion was made that our group sponsor a show during the spring of 1970 for the purpose of swapping tokens, medals and other material. Tokens and medals of all types, decorations, wooden money, paper money and foreign coins will be featured. It was decided that no United States or Canadian coins be allowed.

The show will be held in Fenton, Michigan on April 19th at the Fenton Community Center (150 So. Leroy St.). There is plenty of parking space available, and tables for approximately thirty on the bourse floor.

"Vest Pocket" dealing is not only approved, but encouraged.

Tables will be available to members interested at a nominal fee to offset the rental charge of the Community Center. Pete Hartley (411 N. Walnut St., Fenton, Mich. 48430) volunteered to be in charge of the bourse. Members who are interested in having a table at this show are asked to contact him.

There will be no admission charge. No exhibits and no auction is planned. Refreshments will be available.

This will be quite different from the usual coin shows, inasmuch as tokens and medals, etc. will be featured, and members who do not normally book tables will be encouraged to participate on the bourse. We hope all of our members will make plans now to attend!

DUES RENEWALS - 1970

The Secretary's Dream

I fell asleep the other night
And while I had my snooze,
I dreamed each member stepped right up
And promptly paid his dues.
But when I found 'twas but a dream
I nearly threw a fit,
It's up to you to make it true
SUGGESTION...PLEASE REMIT.

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Dues are payable as of Jan. 1, 1970. A "Dues Notice" together with a self-addressed envelope for your convenience in remitting is enclosed with this issue. The 1970 membership cards will be mailed out with the February issues.

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The First issue for 1970, Volume #5 has been scheduled for mailing on February 14th. The size and value of these issues is dependent upon the number of articles and other copy sent in by the membership. Your help is requested. Deadline for all copy, articles, ads, etc. is set for February 1st. Please send in your contributions for publication as early as possible in order that it can be properly edited and published.

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COMMUNION TOKENS

By - J. W. Baum, MTMS #162

Although small numbers of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, the Secession Church, and a few other Presbyterian groups still use the communion token, very few present members of the Presbyterian Churches of America realize that at one time a member had to have an admittance token to the communion service.

John Calvin had suggested the tokens for use in communion services. They were used in England as early as 1560, and in the Waloon Church of Amsterdam by 1586. These tokens were to insure that no unworthy person was admitted to communion.

The House of Stuart was probably the dominant reason for the use of these tokens to eventuality become so widespread. On his accession to the throne, James VI of England imposed acts interfering with most of the protestant clergy. Charles-I tried to do away with the Presbyterian Church and merge it into the Episcopalian system. In Scotland the Presbyterian Church had always been more or less the church of the common people, while the Episcopal Church had been the church of the aristocracy.

Under Charles-I severe penalties were imposed for attending or officiating at services other than those of the Episcopal Church. This persecution by the English monarchy lasted until 1688, and the accession of William and Mary. Two years later, in 1690, the Presbyterian faith was established as the Church of Scotland.

The heaviest persecution began in 1638. The Covenanters, (the Presbyterians of Scotland who refused to have Episcopacy forced upon them) could not openly meet for worship. The church was forced underground. Many Presbyterians continued to meet and hold services during this time. They were forced to meet in the woods, valleys, and other remote and secluded places.

The tokens were soon found to have great value not only to exclude the ungodly, but also to protect against the King's spies, and other unfriendly persons who might betray them to the crown. If caught, and brought before an unsympathetic judge, or military tribunal, it was almost as bad as the inquisition. Non-conformists were subjected to torture, expatriation, imprisonment, the loss of their property, or death.

The minister, and the elders of the church were entrusted with the distribution of the tokens. They knew the membership, and at a prepartory service held prior to the communion, tokens were given to those who were entitled to receive the service. Strangers professing the right to the service of communion were given a test of their knowledge of the faith. The Session asked the stranger questions based on the Catechism, the Apostles Creed, the Ten Commandments, and other Bible knowledge. His answers determined whether he was given a token.

After more than a hundred years of use that began as a convenience of identification, and the last fifty years as a necessity to the well being of the Church and it's members, the communion token had by 1690 become an essential item in the observance of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Europeans had migrated to North America as early as the early seventeenth century, primarily to escape religious persecution. Now the die had been cast, and as the Scots emigrated to North America, and other continents, they carried with them the tradition of the communion token. It is interesting to note at this time that other churches in Scotland had also used the practice of admittance tokens for the communion service. The Baptist, Congregational and Methodist churches, along with the State sponsored Episcopal Churches all used communion tokens at this time to some degree or other. For some reason the Presbyterians were the only denomination to export this practice on a world wide scale.

A list of the different countries where communion tokens were used is impressive. Included are England, Amsterdam Holland, Corfu Greece, Isle of Man, Florence Italy, Gibralter, Guernsey, Jersey, and Malta in Europe. African Presbyterian communion tokens include those used in churches at Capetown, Mederia, and Port Elizabeth, South Africa, Port Louis Mauritius and the Rehoboth Church in South-west Africa. In Asia, Church of Scotland tokens were used at Bombay, Calcutta, Cochin, Madras and Poonah, India, and Singapore as well as French Indo China (now Malaysia). Many of the islands of the world have had an issue of communion tokens. Included are Aneiteum and Efate in the New Hebrides, Antiqua in the Leeward Islands, Jamaica in the West Indies, and St. Croix--Danish West Indies (now known as the U.S. Virgin Islands). Almost the whole of Australia, New Zealand, North America, and Buenos Aires, Argentina, and Berbice and Demerara, British Guiana in South America are included in the listing.

Among the first of the tokens to be used in what was to become the United States was a small token inscribed "CC" on the obverse, and "1748" on the reverse. It was used at the Conecocheague Church in Welsh Run, Pennsylvania in 1748. Another with the initials "RP" on the obverse, and John Cuthbertson 1752 on the reverse was used at Octorara, Pennsylvania.

It is thought that one of the first church tokens used in Canada was at Truro, Nova Scotia. They were brought to Canada by the Rev. Daniel Cock in 1772. The bear the inscription, Mr. D.D. Truro Nova Scotia 1772. These tokens had been made for the Truro Church, but many churches in the colonies used tokens that had been made for churches in Scotland. The Lanark, Ontario church used tokens that had been struck for the church of Dalry, Scotland.

The early tokens were usually of local manufacture, being either made by a member of the church, or the area blacksmith under the supervision of the elders. These tokens were often very crude, and usually carry just the initials of the town or church, and the initials of the minister preceeded by the letter M, or Mr to represent his title. When the need for secrecy passed, the manufacture of the tokens was given to the professional die cutters, and much more attractive tokens were coined. Whereas most of the early tokens were made of lead, or pewter, the modern tokens were made from aluminum, brass, copper and silver. Many of the professionally made tokens carry designs, including a communion cup, a burning bush, a view of a church, a heart, and others. Many also carry quotes from the scripture, with the reference where found usually being given. "Let a Man Examine Himself", "This Do In Remembrance of Me", "The Lord Knoweth Them That Are His" are among those found. The tokens are of many shapes--rectangular, square, round, heart shape and oval, with a great variety of weights and thickness.

The communion tokens themselves show some of the disruption and division that was taking place in the church during the time of their use. First there was the Church of Scotland, then the Reformed Presbytery, many of their tokens bore the initials "R P". Afterwards there was the Associate Presbytery or Secession Church, then the General Associate Presbytery or Anti-Burger Church. This church had A B on its tokens. The Presbytery or Relief Church used the letters R C; finally came the Free Church.

The practice of using communion tokens, or admittance tokens to the service of communion gradually changed. By 1900 their use had been supplanted by cardboard tickets in all but some of the smaller churches. In America, the use of tokens had been discontinued even earlier, and most churches, with the exception of the Reformed Presbyterian Church had even abandoned the use of tickets by 1910.

Some churches that had used tokens are having facsimiles of the tokens, or other medals used, are having these manufactured using the former token designs as part of the new design. They then use these as fund raisers, selling them as mementoes to the church members and general public. This writer likes the idea, and would like to see more men's, women's and youth groups of the churches examine the chances of doing this.

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WHERE ARE THE MV'S

By - Lewis Schrader, MTMS #366

If you collect ration tokens, you know how hard it is to find the MV. The MV is the hardest to find of the 30 Red, letter combinations. There are 52 known to date by the Society of Ration Token Collectors. There are 24 Blue, Letter combinations of tokens.

For collectors of ration tokens or ration material, the Society of Ration Token Collectors is an excellent group to join. A Quarterly publication on ration information is issued for the membership only. This Society was formed, and functions as a means of sharing information pertaining to ration material. The membership is $2.00 per year. Additional information can be obtained from the Secretary, Mrs. V. Thomas, 5751 - 63rd St., Sacramento, Calif. 95824.

Happy Hunting for the red MV's.

ACTIVE ROYAL ARCH MASONIC CHAPTERS OF IOWA

By - Charles K. Lindell, MTMS #315

In a further effort to update Masonic Chapters as listed in King's book published in 1930, I am submitting a list of active chapters from Iowa. Previous listings in "The Junk Box" have been of Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and West Virginia. Let's keep the ball rolling and try to complete listings from the remaining 43 states.

May I urge all Masonic collectors to join with William H. Brown (P.O. Box #74, Hazel Crest, Ill. 60429) in the formation of a Chapter Penny Collectors group?

CHAPTER NAME	NO.	LOCATION
Iowa	1	Burlington
Iowa City	2	Iowa City
Dubuque	3	Dubuque
Washington	4	Muscatine
Mc Cord	5	Fairfield
Hiram	6	Oskaloosa
Gate City	7	Keokuk
Henry	8	Mt.Pleasant
Clinton	9	Ottumwa
Marion	10	Marion
Lebanon	11	Winterset
Gebal	12	Newton
Cyrus	13	Washington
Corinthian	14	Des Moines
Adonivam	15	Vinton
Davenport	16	Davenport
Tadmor	18	Knoxville
Siloam	19	Tipton
Valley	20	Cedar Falls
Aholiab	21	Independence
Chariton	22	Chariton
Moore	23	Keosaqua
Sioux City	26	Sioux City
Potowonak	28	Fort Madison
Clarinda	29	Clarinda
Markwell	30	Waukon
Tuscan	31	Boone
Leon	33	Leon
Cryptic	34	Seymour
King Solomon's	35	Decorah
Osage	36	Osage
Signet	38	Marshall Town
Joppa	40	Sigournay
Harmony	41	Elkades
Euclid	43	Centerville
Mt. Horeb	45	Belle Plaine
Benevolence	46	Mason City
Star	47	Council Bluffs
Olive Branch	48	Manchester
Trowel	49	Cedar Rapids
Hysop	50	Malcom
Delta	51	Fort Dodge
Tabernacle	52	Waterloo
Almond	53	Charles City
Evergreen	55	Eldova
Montgomery	57	Red Oak
Darius	58	Sac City
Mt. Gevizim	59	Glenwood
Lafayette	61	Bonaparte
Pentalpha	63	Osceola
Corner Stone	64	Jefferson
Mt. Sinia	66	Anomosa
Triangle	68	Bedford
Anchor	69	Hampton
Prudence	70	Algona
Temple	74	Clarksville
Salem	75	Mt. Ayr
Eureka	77	Corning
Cope Stone	78	Carroll
Liberty	79	West Liberty
Ansel Humphries	80	Fayette
Triune	81	Missouri Valley
Seshbazzar	82	Shenandoah
Ophir	84	Atlantic
Rabonni	85	Auoca
Palmyra	86	Perry
Geber	87	Colfax
Hope	88	Webster City
Ayk	89	Dunlap
Burning Bush	90	Cherokee
Amity	93	Audubon
Bath Kol	94	Maquoketa
Cyprus	99	Lake City
Ionic	100	Grundy Ctr.
Palestine	101	Grinnell
Bezaleel	102	Sibley
Rabbi	103	Storm Lake
Syria	104	Ida Grove
Sumara	105	Primgnav
Olivet	107	Harlaw
Earnest	108	Emmetsburg
Antioch	110	Des Moines
Lyon	111	Rock Rapids
Clay	112	Spencer
Adelphia	113	New Hampton
Monona	115	Mapleton
Bethel	116	Garner
King David	118	Rolfe

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UNITED STATES MILK TOKENS

By - Mike Roccia, MTMS #381

I have been a milkman for a dairy in the Washington, D.C. area for the past ten years. Until last year, however, I had never seen or heard of a milk token. As far as I know the dairies here have never used them.

Mr. Walt Mason of Silver Spring, Maryland--a collector of love tokens, aroused my interest in this hobby. He gave me a Southern Dairies milk token. Being a milkman, I was naturally quite impressed. Mr. Mason suggested that I write to collectors, as well as dairies in the United States to obtain additional specimens. This I have begun, but I have not finished writing as yet. The response has been very good in most cases. Some dairies had only one token left, which they gave to me freely. So far I have spent over thirty dollars on postage in my search, but it has been worth it not only for the tokens I have received, but also for the friendships I have made with dairymen wishing to help me in my collection.

In my writings, I was very fortunate to meet Mr. Lewis Ferguson--a collector of Iowa tokens. He sent me thirteen different Iowa milk tokens. Without his help, I wouldn't have an Iowa milk token in my collection today.

As far as history on milk tokens, I believe they started around 1896. If this is in error, kindly write and correct me.

With all collections, whatever they may be, one has a favorite. Of course the Southern Dairies token is one for me, but the one that really stands out is a token from Illinois that was used in 1912 made of copper. It is the same thickness as a Flying Eagle cent, and reads, Union Dairy Co. Good for 4¢.

With the tokens in my collection, I have tried to find out when they were used, and where they came from. As I list them, if any member can offer this or other information, I would be grateful to hear from them. I feel that mine is one of the best and most complete of any collection of United States Milk Tokens at the present time.

Following is a listing of United States Milk Tokens in my collection:

IOWA

1. Ob. Sunbeam Dairy / Fort Dodge / Iowa / Rx. Good For / ○ 1○ / Quart Milk (Round, Brass).
2. Same as above, but different lettering on the number "1".
3. Same as #1, but different lettering on the "1" and diamonds left off the design.
4. Ob. Fort Dodge / Creamery Co. / Fort Dodge / Iowa / Rx. Regular / One Quart / Milk / (Round, Brass).
5. Ob. Fort Dodge Creamery Co. / Fort Dodge / Iowa / Rx. Rosedale Golden One / Quart Milk / Guernsey / (Square, Brass).
6. Ob. Fort Dodge / Creamery Co. / Fort Dodge / Iowa / Rx. Homogenized / One Quart / Milk / (Octagon, Brass).
7. Ob. George Swan / Reinbeck / Iowa / Rx. Good For / One / Quart Milk / (Octagon, Brass).

IOWA, COND.

8. Ob. Fort Dodge / Creamery Co / Fort Dodge / Iowa / Rx. Half & / One Pint / Half / (Octagon, Aluminum).

9. Ob. Fort Dodge / Creamery Co / Fort Dodge / Iowa / Rx. Perfectly / One Quart Milk / Pasteurized / (round, brass).

10. Ob. The Peerless Dairy -- Boone, Iowa / Rx. Good For / 1 Quart / of Milk / (Round, Aluminum).

11. Ob. Boone Dairy, Inc. Boone, Ia. Rx. Good For / 1 / Quart Milk / (Round, Brass)

12. Ob. Ft. Dodge Cry. Co / Fort Dodge / Iowa / Rx. Homo / Half / Gallon / Milk / (Round, plastic).

13. Ob. George Swan / Reinbeck / Iowa / Rx. Good For / One Pint / Milk / (Octagon, Brass).

OHIO

14. Ob. Sanitary Dairy / Barnesville / Ohio / Rx. Good For / 1 / Quart of Milk / (Elongated, Aluminum).

15. Ob. Sanitary Dairy / Barnesville / Ohio./ Rx. Good For / 1 / Pint of Milk / (Elongated, Aluminum).

16. Ob. Buckeye / Dairy / Galion. / O. / Rx. Good For / 1 Pint / Milk / (Round, Aluminum).

17. Ob. Buckeye / Dairy / Galion / O. / Rx. Good For / One Quart / Milk / (Round, Aluminum).

18. Ob. Helner / Dairy / Inc. / Rx. Good For / 1 Quart / Milk / (Square, plastic).

19. Ob. Willard / Dairy Corp. / Willard Chio 935 9315 / Rx. Good For / Half / Gallon / Milk / (Round, plastic).

ALA.

20. Ob. Sanitary / Dairy / Dothan, Ala. / Rx. Good For One / Milk / Quart With Bottle / (Round, Aluminum).

MICHIGAN

21. Ob. Cronenweth Farms / Jersey Cream-Line / Milk / Rx. Good For / 1 / Quart Milk / (Scallopped, Brass).

22. Ob. Arctic Dairy Products Co Flint / Rx. One Quart Arctic Pasteurized Milk / The letter "A" is cut out of middle, and was used in the 1920's. (Same material as Transportation Token, White Metal, Round).

23. Ob. Independent Dairy Co / Rx. Good For Quart Milk / Letter "I" is cut out of middle, used during 1920's. (Round, White Metal).

24. Ob. Independent / Dairy / Co / Rx. 1/2 Pt Cream / - Or - Quart / Jersey / Used in 1920's. (Octagon, White Metal).

25. Ob. Independent Dairy Co. / Rx. Good For Pint Milk / Diamond shape is cut out of middle, used in 1920's. (Round, White Metal).

26. Ob. Ashley Dairy / 1 Qt / 1 / Rx. Blank. Used in 1930. (Round, Brass, small hole at top of token.)

27. Ob. Ashley / Dairy Inc / 1/2 Gal / Milk / Rx. Blank. Used-1930. (Octagon, Brass, Small hole at top of token).

28. Ob. Palmiter / Dairy / 1 Qt Milk / Rx. Blank. Used 1930. (Octagon, Brass, Small hole at top of token).

MICHIGAN, Cond.

29. Ob. Ashley Dairy / 2 / 1 Qt has been stamped over 1/2 pt. Cream. Use begun in 1930. Rx. Blank. (Octagon, Brass, Small hole at top).

30. Ardis / Dairy / Rx. Good For / 1 Quart / Regular Milk Use begun in 1954. (Square, Plastic, Small hole in middle).

31. Ardis / Dairy / Rx. Good For / 1 Quart / Homo Milk / Used-1954. (Square, plastic, small hole in middle).

32. Ob. Nelson's / Cloverdale / Dairy / Rx. Good For / One 1/2 / Gallon / Used in 1948. (Octagon, plastic).

33. Ob. McDonald / Dairy / Owosso / Rx. Good For / 1 Quart / Milk / Used in 1929. (Octagon, plastic).

34. Ob. The Fordney Jersey Farm Rx. Good For / 1 / Pint (Octagon, aluminum).

35. Ob. Ferguson / Dairy / Jackson / Rx. Good For / 1 Quart / Milk (Scalloped, plastic).

36. Ob. Nelson's - Cloverdale - Farms / Rx. Good For / 1 / Qt / Milk / Used in 1948. (Round, Aluminum, Small hole in middle between 1 and Qt.

37. Ob. I.N. Little / Rx. Good For / 1 / Quart of Milk (Round, brass).

FLORIDA

38. Ob. Hood's / Dairy / St. Petersburg / Rx. Good For / 1 Qt. / Milk / (Round, Aluminum). Used in 1945.

39. Ob. Superior Dairies Inc / St. Augustine, Fla. / Rx. Good For / 1 Qt. Grade A / Pasteurized Milk (Round, Aluminum).

40. Ob. Miami / Pure Southern Dairies Milk / Florida / Rx. Good For / 1 - Pt / Pasteurized Milk / (Round, aluminum).

INDIANA

41. Ob. Peters Dairy / # 100 / Rx. Good For / 1 Pint / Of Milk / Used in year 1935. (Round, aluminum).

42. Ob. Thompson's Dairy Rx. Good For / 1 Pint / Milk / (Round, aluminum).

43. Ob. Thompson's Dairy / Rx. Good For (Round, Aluminum).

NORTH CAROLINA

44. Ob. Sunrise Dairy / 506 W. Franklin Ave / Gastonia, N.C. / Rx. Good For 5 Cents / When Returned With / Empty Bottle / (Octagon, Aluminum).

SOUTH CAROLINA

45. Ob. Coburg Dairy / Charleston, S.C. Rx. Good For / 1/2 Gal. / Pasteurized Milk / Used in 1945. (Square, Aluminum).

46. Ob. Coburg Milk / Dairy Delivery Associates / Rx. Good For / 1 Qt. / Pasteurized Milk / Used in 1945. (Round, Aluminum).

TENNESSEE

47. Ob. Norris Creamery / Rx. Good For / 5¢ / In Trade / Used in 1944. (Round, aluminum).

48. Ob. Norris Creamery / Rx. Good For / One / Quart / Used in 1944. (Round, Aluminum).

TENNESSEE, COND.

49. OB. Broadacre Dairies / W. W. Weigel / And Sons / Rx. Good For / Quart / Milk / Used in 1931. (Round, Aluminum).

50. OB. Broadacre Dairy / W. W. Weigel / And Sons (balance of letters are very worn and illegible). Rx. Good For / 1 Pint / Milk / Used in 1931. (Round, Aluminum).

VIRGINIA

51. OB. Farmers / Creamery Co / Inc. / Rx. Good For / One-Half Pint / XX Cream / (Octagon, Aluminum).

52. OB. Farmers / Creamery Co / Inc / Rx. Good / For One Quart / Pasteurized / Milk / (Round, Aluminum).

ILLINOIS

53. Ob. Union Dairy Co. / Good For / 4¢ / Rx. Same thing. Used in Year 1912. (Round, Copper).

54. OB. Downing's / Dairy / Rx. Good For / 1 / Quart / Of Milk /

CALIFORNIA

55. Ob. Peninsula / Palo Alto / Creamery / Rx. Good For / 15¢ In / Merchandise / (Round, Aluminum).

56. Ob. Livermore / Dairy / Phone 3649 / Rx. Good For / 1 / Pint Milk / (Round, Aluminum).

57. Ob. Sanitary Gold Seal Dairy Co. / Seal of Quality / Rx. One Half Pint Cream / (Aluminum, Round, Pointed Edges, Diamond Cut out of middle.)

GEORGIA

58. Ob. Roberds' / Dairy / Dial AD 3-12161 / Rx. Good For / 1 / Quart / Milk / Used in 1945. (Round, Aluminum).

59. Ob. Milkmaid / Dairy / Rx. Good For / 2 / Quart / Milk / Used in Year 1945. (Round, aluminum).

MISSISSIPPI

60. Ob. Columbus Ice Cream / Creamery Company / Columbus Mississippi / Rx. Good For / 5¢ / When Returned / With / Cicco / Milk Bottle / (Round, Aluminum).

[W]ASHINGTON

61. Ob. Angeles Co-Operative Creamery / Rx. One Pint Cream / Used in 1928. (Pentagon, Aluminum, Round hole in middle.)

62. Ob. Angeles Co-Operative Creamery / Rx. One Pint Whipping Cream / Used in 1928 (Square, Aluminum, Round hole in middle.)

63. Ob. Angeles Co-Operative Creamery / Rx. Half Pint Cream / Used in 1928. (Scalloped, Aluminum, Round hole in middle).

64. Ob. Angeles Co-Operative Creamery / Rx. One Quart Milk / Used in 1928. (Round, Aluminum, round hole in middle.)

65. Ob. Angeles / Co-op / Creamery / Rx. Good For / 5¢ / Upon / Return of Bottle / (Round, aluminum).

NEBRASKA

66. Ob. Topaz / Dairy / Rx. Good For / 1 Quart / Milk / Used in 1915. (Round, Brass).

67. Ob. Topaz / Dairy / Rx. Good For / 1/2 / Pint Cream / Used in 1915. (Scalloped, Brass).

United States Milk Tokens, Cond.

NEBRASKA, COND.

68. Ob. Early Dawn Stock Farm / One Quart Milk / Mead, Nebr. / Rx. same (Round, brass).

69. Ob. Clover Leaf / Dairy / Hastings, Nebr. / Rx. Good For / 1 / Quart Milk / Used in 1926. (Round, brass).

70. Ob. Clover Leaf / Dairy / Hastings, Nebr. / Rx. Good For / 1 / Pint Milk / Used in Year 1926. (Scalloped, Brass).

NEW YORK

71. Ob. Springville/Dairy / Rx. Good For / 1 Quart / Milk / (Octagon, plastic).

PENNSYLVANIA

72. Ob. R. B. Fike / 47 West Graig St. / Uniontown, Pa. / Rx. Good For / 5¢ / In Trade / Used in Year 1923. (Round, aluminum).

73. Ob. R. Bruce Fike / Rx. Good For / 5¢ / On Return / Of My Bottle Used in Year 1923. (Scalloped, aluminum, small diamond cut out of middle).

74. Ob. The Moore Dairy / M / Lancaster, Pa. Rx. Good For 5¢ / With Empty / M / Moore Bottle / Used in 1933. (Round, White Metal).

75. Ob. Hurr's / Dairy / Cup / Rx. Good For / 5¢ / When Returned / With Empty Bottle / (Round, aluminum).

76. Ob. Tyoga / Farms / Dairy / Rx. Good For / 1 / Quart / Used in Year 1949. (Octagon, plastic).

77. Ob. Dyke's / Dairy / Rx. One / Quart / Milk / Used in Year 1955. (Elongated, plastic).

OREGON

78. Ob. Mayflower / Milk / Products / Rx. Good For / One / 1/2 Gal / 2% / Used in Year 1968. (Round, plastic, small hole in middle).

79. Ob. Mayflower / Milk / Products / Rx. Good For / 1 Quart / Of / Milk / Used in year 1968. (Round, plastic, small hole in middle).

80. Ob. Mayflower / Milk / Products / Rx. Good For / One / 1/2 Gal / Homo / Used in Year 1968. (Round, plastic, small hole in middle).

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Name	Number	Location
Hawarden	119	Hawarden
Algobil	121	Creston
Eagle Grove	123	Eagle Grove
Monroe	125	Albia
Joshua	127	Ames
Oelwein	130	Oelwein
Spirit Lake	132	Spirit Lake
Heredom	135	Northwood
Alpha	136	Coon Rapids
Fidelity	137	Clear Lake
Ascalon	139	Des Moines
Sunrise	141	Sioux City

A DELINEATION OF SCARCE MICHIGAN TRADE TOKENS

By - Marie A. Johnson, MTMS #40

Having sold my collection of Michigan tokens about three years ago and turning most of my interest to western states trade tokens, the acquisition of Michigan trade tokens slowed down until, finally, I had convinced myself that Michigan had never used tokens as prolifically as most states.

When I did decide to go back to "work" on Michigan, I found not only tokens, but some of the nicest and most unusual I had ever seen.

Oddly enough, the sparsely settled upper peninsula was the source of many of these tokens. First a maverick came my way several years ago--a bi-metal from the Lake Independence Lumber Company. Foolishly I asked someone else to research this piece instead of doing it myself, so it was only when another of these came my way that I bothered to go to work on it. My little token is just one of a set of these which I was finally able to attribute to Big Bay, Michigan.

Another contact brought four different trade tokens from Escanaba, Michigan--the nicest of which was a large aluminum piece used by the Escanaba Harness Company.

Then, by way of Pennsylvania, came a find of lower peninsula tokens from Palo, Michigan. Who ever heard of Palo, Michigan? I never had, so was surprised to find it located between Ionia and Greenville. I could only find two denominations of these 25¢ and 5¢ tokens from what must have been a set from Klings Stores, Klipalong, Palo, Michigan.

Some of you will remember my article on the shingle checks once used in Muskegon during the lumber hey day. Several of the Muskegon Shingle and Lumber Company checks are in collections, but the only token from the Torrent Brown Company was owned by the son of Mr. Torrent until this fall, I pulled a beautiful specimen, nearly uncirculated out of a junk box. What a surprise !

Next came a letter from the U.P. and the rubbing for a rectangular saloon token--the only Michigan token I have seen with the word saloon on it, and of course, a reminder from the pre Volstead Act days.

The next surprise was another upper peninsula lumber company token and a check of Dunn and Bradstreet showed the company still to be in business--another hold over from our early day lumber boom. A letter to the two brothers who own this company and used these white metal tokens to date has been unanswered.

A beautiful set of Elks Lodge tokens from Manistique, Michigan, were closely followed by another aluminum Elks Lodge token--this one a new issue currently used by the Port Huron lodge, and sent to me by the secretary of the lodge.

Detroit has always been represented by a large number of trade tokens, and one of these just recently came to my attention. This from the Fisher Body Corp. Com. Dept. F, 30 mm scalloped aluminum 18¢ towel check. Don't write Fisher Body and ask for this one. I already did and back came a nice letter from the head of public relations, Mr. William B. Winters, who informed me that this token was a relic from the formative years of the organization and research of their records and questioning "oldtimers" provided no clues to this interesting "good for" token.

A trade with a friend brought a parking token currently used by the Detroit Engineering Club, no they will not give any out to collec-

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MECOSTA COUNTY MICHIGAN

By - Norman G. Peterson, MTMS #112

When taking a trip thru territory that you have never been before it is very exciting. It is even more exciting if no one else has previously taken this trip. We may envy the astronauts for their adventures, and wish that something as thrilling could happen to us.

As a chemist I have had many interesting moments in the laboratory as observations were made on something that has been witnessed for the first time. The archeologist unearths something that has been hidden for a long time and then later tells others of his interesting find. I believe that I have had delightful experiences in the field of tokens that may rival the thrill of the chemist or archeologist. It is one of the purposes of this article to tell you of my diggings.

Several years ago, one of my friends gave me several pieces of round metal with the comment that they might interest me. This interest that developed over these pieces of metal has lead me to talk to over one hundred people in Mecosta County Michigan, and now it finds me writing to tell others of my interest. Within the relatively recent past this interest has brought me to write an article for the Big Rapids newspaper "The Pioneer", and also to speak to the Mecosta County Historical Society. It goes without saying that this interest has been shared with many others that are interested in "round pieces of metal". This article then is a NUMISMATIC HISTORY of Mecosta County Michigan as I have had it unfold to me. It is hoped that I may be able to make additions to this story as time goes on.

When this project started I only thought of "my collection", but as time passed the way became shown, that this history must be deposited in the Mecosta County Historical Museum for all to see and study. As you have guessed by this time, this collection is a collection of numismatic items from this county. As yet the collection has not been formally presented to the Museum, but that shall take place soon.

The search for numismatic items has been full of fun and adventure and the acquisition of new pieces is indeed a thrill. Most of the pieces have been donated, and without the help of many this effort would be difficult to undertake. I would suggest to other token and medal collectors that this type of history is worth their attention.

The following listing of numismatic items are from various places in the county. A number of items are included, but have yet to be uncovered. These pieces are hiding someplace, and I hope to eventually obtain the specimen. I would appreciate assistance from others relative to any item from Mecosta County that they either know about or have and can describe.

My thanks to those who have helped in this project, for without help in matters of this type, we can get nowhere. In most cases I have been able to uncover only a single copy of the listed item, and it is my guess that none of these tokens will ever be found in numerous quantities.

In the following descriptions the items are listed within their governmental units. Each piece is described in terms of composition, size and written description. In a few cases the numismatic items have never been seen, and those are listed only in terms of the person, club, or group which issued the token.

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MECOSTA COUNTY

A series of paper scrip (about 6¼ x 2-5/8 inches was issued in 1933. This scrip had a background color of bright yellow. Obverse had five vignettes including one of OLD MAIN at Ferris Institute. All notes had the same colors and designs. Signed by Chairman of Board of Supervisors and County Clerk.

One Dollar
series one---signatures James B. Campbell and Edward Dresser
series two---James B. Campbell was overprinted with DH Langworthy
series three-signatures of DH Langworthy and Edward Dresser

Five Dollar
signatures DH Langworthy and Edward Dresser

Ten Dollar
signatures DH Langworthy and Edward Dresser

It is interesting to note that the one dollar notes paid 3 per cent from date of issue, while the five and ten dollar note paid 4 per cent.

BIG RAPIDS

Home Billiard Parlors, blue cardboard, 56 x 34 mm
The 1905 Mecosta directory lists the Home Billiard Parlor at 154 N. Clark. Obverse-Double black line border, HOME BILLIARD PARLORS. / M. K. FILLMORE, Prop. / _____ / GOOD FOR / FIVE CENTS / IN TRADE
Reverse-blank

ST.PETERS LUTHERAN CHURCH, bronze, 31 mm
obverse--Cross with Martin Luthers emblem
reverse--LUTHERAN OPEN HOUSE WEEK / SHARING / OUR FAITH / IN / CHRIST / Nov. 1-5 1959 /. (comment--this medal was apparently used in other Missouri Lutheran churches at the same period).

MERRITTS RESTAURANT, aluminum, 19 mm
obverse--MERRITTS / RESTAURANT
REVERSE --GOOD FOR / 5¢ / IN MERCHANDISE

BPOE 974 (ELKS CLUB)
Five Cents, aluminum, 24 mm
obverse--B.P.O.E. / 974
reverse--GOOD FOR / *5¢* / IN TRADE

Obverse--B.P.O.E. / No.974 / BIG RAPIDS
Reverse--ring of stars / 5

Twentyfive Cents, aluminum, 27 mm
obverse--B.P.O.E. / No 974
reverse--GOOD FOR / * / 25¢ / IN TRADE

CORNER SMOKE SHOP, red composition or plastic, 8 scallops, 27 mm
obverse--5¢ / CORNER / SMOKE SHOP / BIG RAPIDS / 5¢
reverse--blank

SMOKE SHOP
five cents, red composition or plastic, 8 scallops, 28 mm
obverse-- SMOKE SHOP / BIG RAPIDS / MICH.
REVERSE-- GOOD FOR / 5¢ / IN TRADE

fifteen cents, aluminum, 22 mm
obverse--THE / SMOKE / SHOP / BIG RAPIDS, MICH.
reverse--GOOD FOR / 15¢ / IN TRADE

twenty cents, aluminum, 22 mm
obverse--THE / SMOKE / SHOP / BIG RAPIDS, MICH.
reverse--GOOD FOR 20¢ / IN TRADE

Mecosta County Michigan, Cond.

GUST WARNER, five cents, aluminum, 8 sided, 26mm at maximum
obverse--GUST WARNER / BIG RAPIDS / MICH.
reverse--GOOD FOR / 5¢ / IN TRADE

GENES PLACE, aluminum, 19mm
obverse--GENE'S / PLACE
reverse--GOOD FOR / 5¢ / IN TRADE

SOUTHLAND PHARMACY, wooden nickel
obverse--Good For 5¢ In TRADE / SOUTHLAND / PHARMACY / S.STATE ST. / Big Rapids, Michigan
reverse--WOODEN NICKEL / picture of Indian head

reverse--WOODEN NICKEL / picture of Buffalo / UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

ROSANDER CHEVROLET, aluminum encased lucky penny, 34mm
obverse--ROSANDER CHEVROLET / Lincoln cent / ***
reverse--KEEP ME AND NEVER GO BROKE (within a horse shoe) / four leaf clover

BIG RAPIDS, Golden bronze, 25mm
obverse--BIG RAPIDS CENTENNIAL JULY 17-24 / GOOD FOR / 25¢ / IN TRADE / BIG RAPIDS / MICHIGAN / REDEEM BEFORE JULY 26, 1955
reverse--one half of a wreath / 1855-1955 / 100th / YEAR

NORTHSIDE CLUB metal tokens never seen

SCHUBERGS - cardboard tokens never seen

MASONIC PENNY - never seen, but have one on its way to me at present

HATHAWAY BILLIARDS, 5 and 10 cent cardboard tokens never seen

MASON HOUSE, Heavy Pink paper, about 56 x 30 mm
obverse--GOOD FOR / ONE DRINK / MASON HOUSE BAR.
reverse--blank comment--This token was used during the 1869-1875 period.

CHIPPEWA LAKE

DARLINGS PAVILION, aluminum, 25mm
obverse--DARLINGS / PAVILION / CHIPPEWA LAKE / MICH.
reverse--GOOD FOR / CTS 25 CTS / IN TRADE

DARLINGS PAVILION, aluminum, 19mm
obverse--CHIPPEWA LAKE / MICH. / DARLING'S / PAVILION
reverse--GOOD FOR / ¢ 5¢ / IN TRADE

DARLINGS PAVILION, aluminum, 22mm
obverse--DARLING'S / PAVILION / CHIPPEWA LAKE / MICH.
reverse--GOOD FOR / ¢ 10 ¢ / IN TRADE

MECOSTA

R. J. DOYLE, wooden nickel, 38mm
reverse--WOODEN NICKEL, picture of Buffalo / UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
obverse--R.J. Doyle-REALTY / DALE BELL / SALESMAN / Mecosta / Mich. / Ph. 972-5635
obverse--R.J. DOYLE-REALTY / DALE BELL / SALESMAN / Ph.972-5635 / Mecosta, Mich.

MORLEY

MORLEY, Wooden Nickel, 38mm, blue printing
obverse-- MORLEY, MICHIGAN / Aug. 13-16 / 1869-1969 / CENTENNIAL
reverse--WOODEN NICKEL / picture of Buffalo /UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Mecosta County Michigan, Cond.
MORLEY half dollar, 34mm, copper nickel?
obverse--100TH ANNIVERSARY / 1869-1969 / picture of wagon train /
MORLEY, MICHIGAN

MORLEY Dollar, 39mm
obverse--100TH ANNIVERSARY / 1869-1969 / picture of wagon train /
MORLEY MICHIGAN
reverse--SOUVENIR DOLLAR / REDEEMABLE / IN TRADE AT / CENTENNIAL /
HEADQUARTERS / ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 16, / 1969

DEW DROP IN, metal tokens, never seen

STANWOOD

WM. CLINE, aluminum, 19mm
obverse--WM.CLINE / STANWOOD / MICH.
reverse--GOOD FOR / 5¢ / IN TRADE

MIKES PLACE, plastic, various colors, 8 sided, 30mm maximum
obverse-- _____ / MIKE'S / PLACE / _____
reverse-- GOOD / FOR 5¢ IN / TRADE (Green)
GOOD / FOR 10¢ IN / TRADE (Red)
GOOD / FOR 20¢ IN / TRADE (Blue)
GOOD / FOR 25¢ IN / TRADE (Black)

WALT ULRICH, tokens never seen

VIN'S PLACE, never seen

GEORGE HARTLINE, never seen

MELS LIVE BAIT, 5, 10 and 25 cents, never seen

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tors. This friend also provided me with three different types of Detroit City Gas Company telephone tokens.

An antique shop on U.S. 12 provided several tokens, among which was a Springbrook Dairy token. Never heard of Springbrook either? Try looking on an early Michigan map near the edge of Kalamazoo.

Speaking of parking tokens, who ever is lucky enough to have the one used for employee parking by the Kalamazoo airport has a prize. Unless you know an employee, don't waste your time here either, as they are not accomodating collectors.

Don't overlook the medals either in your hunting. There are plenty of commemorative pieces just waiting for someone to come along. A purchase of stuff from the estate of a woman who collected in the 1930's brought fifteen nice unknown commemorative medals including a beautiful dollar size, dated, sterling medal issued by the Grand Rapids Masonic Temple and two pieces of Bryan money, one of which was not listed by Zerbe.

There are many, many more just waiting for you and me to find them. Don't hide your light under a bushel basket. Let your friends and casual acquaintances know of your interest. It is surprising how many tokens you will get this way. Then get out and hunt--every lodge and every pool room and card room is a potential hiding place of tokens, and this is where the men in the collecting fraternity have the edge on me. I have not visited any lodges or pool rooms yet. Happy hunting !

"LIFTING THE VEIL"

Part II

By - Gary C. Krug, MTMS #143

I.O.R.M. or IMP'D O.R.M. - These initials must be very mysterious to any collector who sees them, as almost invariably the full name of the organization is not used. The Improved Order of Red Men appears to be a defunct organization, but perhaps someone will correct me. The name also raises the question of whether there was an "Unimproved" Order of a similar name.

It is almost certain that the Society had no connection with Indians, other than an adaptation of Indian lore and symbolism, which are so evident on their medals and badges. Someone suggested that it was just "an insurance group", as it may well have been, but it also surely supplied the social and fraternal needs of the men (no one would expect any women members in these types of organizations, except in the sometimes authorized feminine auxiliaries of the late 19th and early 20th centuries in addition to possible financial aspects.)

Back to the medals, now, of which I have examined perhaps a half-dozen different specimens. One finely crafted piece seems to have been made by "F. J. Gordon Co., Battleboro, Mass., U.S.A." (who call themselves manufacturing jewelers), or so the inside of the presentation case lid is inscribed. It features three basic pieces, all joined together by a double-chain suspension.

The brooch or top piece is a very detailed and heavy eagle with wings outspread. Great attention was given to the featherwork in each portion of the wings and the knees of the two legs stand out in deep relief. The claws clutch a banderole, which is inscribed "F.F. / & C." (another cryptic abbreviation, but which indicates a motto of the order: "Freedom, Friendship & Charity").

From the lowest flanking folds of this banderole are loops to take the chain which connects the next linked portion. This is a two-piece affair in gilt and enamel. Basically it is a bar with the flat ends having semi-circular opposite endings. The upper and lower edges have a scroll design, which incorporates the upper and lower sets of loops for linking purposes. The white field of the bar has "PE / (raised seal) / NN", which would indicate the Pennsylvania branch or "council" of this society. The raised center medallion is in the fashion of a seal, which it may formally be. Around, on a blue band, is IMPROVED ORDER OF (upper left to upper right) RED MEN (around the bottom). On the center white field is what (from a survey of the other badges) is apparently the basic badge or emblem of the Order of Red Men.

Encountered most frequently, although in a wide variety of artistic interpretations, is a crossed battle-axe, peace-pipe and war-club, surmounted by an eagle in the same stance as that of the above mentioned brooch. The axe is head-up left, the pipe is bowl-down left, while the club is bludgeon end down vertical. Joining the lower three endings is a banderole with "I O R M" in black. Across this entire design, joining the outer blue circlet, is a red band with "T-O-T-E" inscribed. This reference is still cryptic to me, as I have also seen it as TOTE as if it were a single word and without the letter separation symbols.

Suspended from this is the third portion which is a large representation of the basic Indian implements indicated above, except for the addition of a horizontal dagger (here, it looks more like a pale-face's kitchen knife with riveted handle-grips, while on other depic-

tions it is shown as a rough hewn bladed knife with thonged grip, pommel and guard); but, this would have been covered by the red horizontal band in any event anyway. The pipe is bowl-up horizontal, the club is head-down left and the axe is head-down right.

Holding all of this together is a curved metal band at the top joining the three upper implements together and taking two loops to complete the linkage. This band has also on it an intricate raised scroll design, which further indicates the attention to detail which prevades all portions of the design. At the center of the juncture of the various implements is a full facing Indian bust in full war bonnet. This is in toned copper, while all other portions of the metallic design are in bright gilt. Nine distinct feathers are in color, left to right: red, blue, yellow, green, red, green, yellow, blue and red. Just below the neck of the Indian, on a band joining his two hanging hanks of hair, is "ImpORM".

I call this Basic Badge No. 1, which is as I said before the apparent basic badge for Pennsylvania. This is more than can be said for most of the other pieces, which give no indication of their specific purpose. I might add also that portions of the center medallion of the middle bar are hand engraved, and it occurs to me that it would take a small fortune to get into production of such an elaborate piece at today's prices.

About a year ago I did see a badge similar (as I recall) to the above described "Basic Badge No. 1", but it lacked the middle bar portion and hence consisted of only two pieces.

Basic Badge No. 2 was made by "Whitehead & Hoag Co., Newark, N.J." and consists of a large side-view of an Indian canoe with an Indian in full war bonnet paddleing left. "Imp'd O.R.M." is in large outlined letters on the canoe side, which has on either end a sunburst design of crossed implements (left) and bow and a bear's head facing (right). Below the waters supporting the canoe is a banderole with FREEDOM / FRIENDSHIP / & CHARITY.

Pendant from this is a "Type A" design of the crossed aforementioned club, pipe, axe and knife in two pieces riveted together. The former is one piece, almost semithree dimensional, of the "Earthquake McGoon" style of club with protruding spike. The other three implements are of one piece, very flat but very detailed and of much more legitimate Indian origin than the others mentioned.

A "Type B" pendant, from the same basic brooch (canoe), has crossed arrows, points up with feathered ends and tied on the crossing with a ribbon bow. Joining the arrow points is a curved section of barked wood with limb stumps protruding, to which a loop is provided for hanging the pendant.

Another medal, in the form of a fob with "lug-type" (called after the "grip" of a luggage piece, but also referred to as a "strap-type" suspender) suspender, was in copper and had the design of a group of Indian tents or tepees. Only the word TOTE (or abbreviation-?) connected it with The Order of Red Men other than the vague Indian symbolism. I have seen a number of these, usually with a dealer who caters to watch fob collectors. It may well be such an item, for this Order was surely current when men wore the pocket watches with fob-type pendants.

A fourth basic piece will end up this discourse, as it is the most definative issue and the only dated item I have examined. It was issued for the 51st Great Sun Council in 1920 in Indiana. Going

from memory, this information was given all on the brooch, which also had a small representation of the State Seal of Indiana at the top.

No city is given, which seems strange, but it was probably Indianapolis if this was for a National convocation. "Great Sun Council" sounds as if it were the paramount gathering of the faithful, or so I am assuming until notified to the contrary. Using the numerical reference of "51st", and again making an assumption of an annual gathering, one comes up with 1870 as being the initial date for this yearly event. It also may well be the year of foundation for the Order.

The pendant to this 1920 piece is perhaps the most interesting pendant medal in the series described. It is irregularly edged, but horizontally rectangular and attached to the brooch with a double-set of links. It shows, in very shallow relief but in some detail, two Indians c~fting a beached canoe next to a river or lake. There are tepees in the background, a slain deer hanging from a crossbar, mountains and trees in the far background. As I recall, this is a Whitehead & Hoag piece too.

So, we end up a rather lengthy survey of Red Men issues. These are about the only ones I have noted in over twenty years of collecting, examining, inspecting, etc., so I don't think that there are too many around any longer. But, one never knows and "take nothing for granted" as I have so often ruefully learned. Anyway, I would be pleasantly surprised if mistaken.

One last note, as a friend suggested an explanation for the two different "Basic Bade No. 2's". He compared it with the Military Order of the Serpent, insofar was this particular order had several variations on the theme of the basic membership badge. The variations meant that there were various degrees of membership, each with its own peculiar designation. Thus, "No. 2" with its "A" and "B" pendants may be a single basic membership badge, with the different pendants indicating two distinct degrees in this membership.

"Basic Badge No. 1" may be distinct insofar as it is a state badge as contrasted from a basic membership badge for all of the states. A similar situation existed in the G.A.R. (Grand Army of the Republic, whose organizational structure suggested parallels in many of the subsequent national military, fraternal and patriotic groups), wherein a state organization (properly referred to as a "department") could initiate its own peculiar "state membership" medals / badges. These often bore only the slightest resemblance to the national badge and often times were more attractive and more elaborate.

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<u>F.F. & C.</u> - "Freedom, Friendship & Charity", motto of the Improved Order of Red Men. See article on I.O.R.M.

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<u>TOTE</u> or <u>T-O-T-E</u> - Unexplained reference, possibly in an Indian dialect, connected with the Improved Order of Red Men. See article on I.O.R.M.

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Can anyone help me on one topic? I have a piece of "Town War Scrip" Chili, N.Y., and a Volunteer Treasury Bond (Monroe City, N.Y.) of the Civil War Period and want to know if they are in any catalogue or reference work. I would like to eventually sell them to anyone interested and put the proceeds into medals. (Gary Krug)

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